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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Sue H. CRIM, et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2164  
Serial No.: 09/002,276 ) Examiner: F. Poinvil  
Filed: December 31, 1997 )  
For: CLEC CONVERGENT BILLING )  
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**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 18, 2001, due on April 18, 2001, without extensions, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 37-42 as follows:

C1 520 E3 37. (Thrice Amended) A computer program product containing instructions for causing a data processor to perform a method, the method comprising: